गया कि आगे कोई भी बठक बुलाने की आवश्यकता नहीं है। तथापि, मामला समीक्षाधीन है।

Recommendations made by the Staff Inspection Units

1106. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the Ministries, Departments and attached offices inspected by the Staff Inspection Units during 1987-88 and 1988-89 (upto December 1988) and the recommendations/report made Ministry-wise;

(b) the staff declared surplus category-wise and Ministry-wise and the economy effected Ministry-wise; and

(c) whethe Staff Inspection Units have taken into consideration the new norms while assessing the work load of employees since new technology like photostat machines, electric typewriters and computers etc. have been introduced in the Departments; if so, what are the results/details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B. K. GADHVI): (a) and (b) Two statements giving particulars Ministry-wise of the Ministries, Departments and the Attached Offices inspected by the Staff Inspection Unit during 1987-88 and 1988-89 (upto December, 1988) and recommendations/reports made regarding staff declared surplus category-wise and economy effected are laid on the Table of the House. (See Appendix CXLIX, Annexure No. 57].

(c) While assessing the work-load of employees, the SIU takes into consideration new technology introduced like photostat machines, electric/electronic typewriters, computers, etc., but the precise impact is not quantifiable.

Nabbing of master-minds of smuggling operations

1107. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Customs authorities are more interested in seizures rather than nabbing master-minds of smuggling operations; and

(b) how many master-minds were nabbed during 1988-89?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) and (b) As a result of the intensification of the anti-smuggling drive which has resulted in a significant increase in the value of contraband seized from year to year, a number of persons who have been found to be involved in smuggling activities including those who master-mind such activities have been arrested and prosecuted in courts of law. A number of such persons including those who master-mind smuggling operations have also been detained under the two Preventive Detention laws viz. Prevention of Illicit Trafficking in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1988 and the Conservation of Foreign Exchange and Prevention of Smuggling Activities Act, 1974 as given in the table below:

	1986	1987	1988*
1. Value of contraband seized (Rs. in crores)	217.52	251.47	433.32
2. Number of persons arrested	2900	2480	3253
3. Number of persons prosecuted	2587	2531	2231
4. Number of persons detained under the Conservation of Foreign Exchange and Prevention of Smuggling Activities Act, 1974	812	775	1169
5. No. of persons detained under Illicit Trafficking in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act 1988			227

*Figures are provisional.